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CALIFORNIA CODE ADOPTION Meeting Notes Group R (North) Workgroup October 20th 9:30am San Ramon Valley FPD Administration Building 1500 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon

ATTENDEES:

Facilitators: Rick D. Terry, San Ramon Valley

FPD

Committee or Group Members Present:

Steve Carmichael, Spears Mfg.
Tom Horton, Sacramento Metro FD
Pat Stranahan, San Francisco FD
Gregory Lake, Sacramento Metro FD
John Stauder, RJA
Gale Bate, Code Resource
Rocque Yballa, Central FD

CDF/SFM Staff Present: None

STAKEHOLDERS IN AUDIENCE:

DOCUMENT HANDOUTS:

1.

AGENDA:

- 1. Review and compare R Occupancy Classifications CBC v IBC
- 2. Develop Matrix Comparison CBC R2 and 6 Occupancies v IBC I and R4 Occupancies
- 3.

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS:

The committee discussed at length while developing a working matrix comparison between the CBC and IBC the merits of merging the IBC I Occupancy Classifications and the present CBC R2 and 6 Occupancies. The discussion concluded by deciding to follow this path as this will be a completely new code and why not make it as simple and straight forward to use as possible.

Below are proposed revisions to IBC Group I.1 Occupancy Classifications and to Group R.4. For several years this simplification of R2 and 6 occupancies has been discussed, the committee feels this is the time to make the change. Also proposed definitions have been identified for carryover.

Section 308.2 Group I-1. This occupancy shall include buildings, structures or parts there of housing more than 16 persons, on a 24-hour basis, who because of age, mental disability or other reasons, live in a supervised residential environment that provides personal care services. The

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occupants are capable of responding to an emergency situation without physical assistance from staff. This group shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Residential board and care facilities
Assisted living facilities
Halfway Houses
Group Homes
Congregate care facilities
Social rehabilitation facilities
Alcohol and drug centers
Convalescent facilities

Note: [For SFM] Section 308.2 is specific to convalescent facilities only. See Section 310.1 Residential Group R-4 for the following:

Residential board and care facilities
Assisted living facilities
Halfway Houses
Group Homes
Congregate care facilities
Social rehabilitation facilities
Alcohol and drug centers

Section 310.1 Residential Group R. Residential Group R includes, among others, the use of a building or structure, or a portion thereof, for sleeping purposes when not classified as an Institutional Group I. Residential occupancies shall include the following:

R-1...

R-2...

R-3...

R-4.1 Residential Care Facilities are those California licensed facilities that are residentially-based accommodating more than six bedridden clients, non-ambulatory, or ambulatory clients.

Licensing categories that may use this classification include, but are not limited to: Adult Residential Facilities, Congregate Living Health Facilities, Protective Social Care Facilities, Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, Group Homes, Hospices and Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically III.

R-4.2 Residential Care Facilities are those California licensed facilities that are residentially-based accommodating more than six ambulatory clients. This division may include non-ambulatory clients and shall not exceed six non-ambulatory clients.

Licensing categories that may use this classification include, but are not limited to: Adult Residential Facilities, Protective Social Care Facilities, Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, Group Homes, Community Treatment Facilities and Social Rehabilitation Facilities. (Ref. CBC 310.1)

R-4.3 Residential Care Facilities are those California licensed facilities that are residentially-based accommodating six or less bedridden, non-ambulatory, or ambulatory clients.

Licensing categories that may use this classification include, but are not limited to: Adult Residential Facilities, Congregate Living Health Facilities, Protective Social Care Facilities, Foster Family Homes, Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled Habilitative, Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled Nursing, Nurseries for the full-time care of children under the age of six, Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, Small Family Homes, Hospices, Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically Ill, Community Treatment Facilities and Social Rehabilitation Facilities.

310.2 Definitions. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this section and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

BOARDING HOUSE...

DORMITORY...

DWELLING UNIT...

PERSONAL CARE SERVICE...

RESIDENTIAL CARE/ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES...

ADULT RESIDENTIAL FACILTIES. Adult Residential Facilities (AFR) are facilities of any capacity that provide 24-hour non-medical care for adults age 18 through 59, who are unable to provide for their own daily needs. Adults may be physically handicapped, developmentally disabled, and/or mentally disabled. These facilities are licensed by DSS/CCL.

CONGREGATE LIVING HEALTH FACILITIES. Small residential home, which provides impatient care, including specified basic services for terminally ill or catastrophic and severely disabled patients. The primary need for LHF residents is for availability of skilled nursing care on a recurring, intermittent, extended or continuous basis. The care is generally less intense than that provided in General Acute Care Hospital but more intense than that provided in Skilled Nursing Facility/Nursing Facility. See Annex-VII for additional information.

FOSTER FAMILY HOMES. Foster Family Homes provide 24-hour care and supervision in the licensee's family residence for no more than six children. Care is provided to children who are mentally disabled, developmentally disabled, or physically handicapped, children who have been removed from their home because of neglect or abuse, and children who require special health care needs and supervision as a result of such disabilities. These facilities are licensed by DSS/CCL.

GROUP HOMES. Group Homes are facilities of any capacity and provide 24-hour non-medical care and supervision to children in a structured environment. Group Homes provide social, psychological, and behavioral programs for troubled youths.

INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITY/DEVELOPMENTALY DISABLED NURSING. Small residential home for Drug Dependent clients needing nursing care (6 to 15 beds)

INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITY/DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED HABILITATIVE. Small residential home for Drug Dependent clients needing habilitative care (6 to 15 beds)

RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES FOR THE CHRONICALLY ILL. Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically III (RCFCI) are facilities with a maximum licensed capacity of 25, where care and supervision is provide to adults who have Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) or the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).

RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES FOR THE ELDERLY (RCFE). Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE) provide care, supervision and assistance with activities of daily living, such as bathing and grooming. They may also provide incidental medical services under special care plans. The facilities provide services to persons 60 years of age and over and persons under 60 with compatible needs. RCFE's may also be known as assisted living facilities, retirement homes and board and care homes. The facilities require varying levels of personal care and protective supervision.

SMALL FAMILY HOMES. Small Family Homes (SFH) provide 24-hour-a-day care in the licensee's family residence for six or fewer children who are mentally disabled, developmentally disabled, or physically handicapped, and who require special care and supervision as a result of such disabilities.

SOCIAL REHABILITATION FACILITIES. A Social Rehabilitation Facility is any facility that provides 24-hour-a-day non-medical care and supervision in a group setting to adults recovering from mental illnesses, who temporarily need assistance, guidance, or counseling.

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PLACEMENT PROGRAM. The Transitional Housing Placement Program provides care and supervision for children at least 17 years of age participating in an independent living arrangement.

The committee developed and will use a matrix to compare type of construction, height and allowable area; smoke barriers; sprinklers; fire alarm; and stair enclosure requirements between the CBC and IBC. The committee realizes there are several other areas for comparison to review than just those noted.

In comparing the code requirements between the IBC and CBC the committee will be presenting recommendations that will bring the IBC some what in line with some of the type of construction, height and allowable area limits in the CBC. These will typically focus on the Type V types of construction. In other situations present CBC limits may increase due to the greater limits provided in the IBC.

The committee is also aware the focus of this workgroup has a multitude of Health and Safety Code criterion to consider. One of which is that these types of facilities be residential in nature. Largely this is driving the decision to retain them as an IBC Group R-4 Occupancy. We are also aware of HSC provisions restricting the requirement for sprinklers in facilities with 6 or less clients, which is contrary to the present IBC Group I and R4 requirements requiring sprinklers.

The focus at our next meeting, November 3rd, will be to begin identifying specific sections of the IBC for amendment to comply with the Health and Safety Code requirements for these facilities and for complete integration Group R2 and 6 occupancies into the IBC.

ACTION ITEMS (FOLLOW UP) AND RESPONSIBLES:

- 1. There are previous assignments issued to review various sections of the IBC
- 2.

NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday November 3rd. We also have a meeting date of Thursday November 10th. All meetings begin at 9:30am and are scheduled to run to 3:30pm unless completed prior to that time. Meeting location is at the San Ramon Valley FPD Administration Building 1500 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon (925) 838-6600.

Tentatively, Thursday December 1, 8, and 15 may be identified as meeting dates in December. Confirmation of December meeting dates will be made at our November 3rd meeting.